

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A transmitting method of transmitting data using a layered communication model, comprising the steps acts of:

generating at a first layer a first communication fragment comprising a first address reference referring to a first entity,

generating at a second layer below the first layer a second communication fragment based on the first communication fragment and further comprising a second address reference referring to a second entity which is related to the first entity,

transmitting data comprising the second communication fragment,

characterized in that

the transmitting method further comprises the step of

removing at least partly the first address reference in the transmitted data, and

replacing the first address reference by an information field referring to the second address reference.

2. (Original) The transmitting method according to claim 1, wherein cryptographic protection is provided for the first communication fragment before the first address reference is at least partly removed.

3. (Original) The transmitting method according to claim 2, wherein cryptographic protection is provided only at a single layer in the communication model.

4. (Original) The transmitting method according to claim 3, wherein the single layer equals the layer where the message was initiated.

Claim 5 (Canceled)

6. (Currently Amended) A receiving method of receiving data using a layered communication model, comprising the step acts of:

receiving data comprising a second communication fragment,
[[-]]] the second communication fragment
comprising a second address reference referring to a second entity which is related to a first entity,
being based on a first communication fragment comprising a first address reference to the first entity, and
retrieving the first communication fragment from the second communication fragment, characterized in that the first address reference is at least partly omitted in the received data, and

the receiving method further comprises the step of restoring the first address reference in retrieving the first communication fragment, wherein the receiving method retrieves the first address reference using an information field in the received data which replaces the first address reference and refers to the second address reference.

7. (Original) The receiving method according to claim 6, wherein cryptographic protection of the first communication

fragment is verified after the first address reference is retrieved.

8. (Original) The receiving method according to claim 7, wherein cryptographic protection is provided only at a single layer in the communication model.

9. (Original) The receiving method according to claim 8, wherein the single layer equals the layer where the message was initiated.

Claim 10 (Canceled)

11. (Currently Amended) System A system for communication using a layered communication model, the system comprising transmitter means

being arranged to generate at a first layer a first communication fragment comprising a first address reference referring to a first entity, and

further being arranged to generate at a second layer below the first layer a second communication fragment based on the first communication fragment and further comprising a second address reference referring to a second entity which is related to the first entity,

communication means

being arranged to transmit data comprising the second communication fragment, and receiving means being arranged to receive data comprising the second communication fragment, and

further being arranged to retrieve the first communication fragment from the second communication fragment,

characterized in that

the transmitter means is arranged to at least partly omit the first address reference from the transmitted data, and

the receiving means is arranged to restore the first address reference in retrieving the first communication fragment from the received data.

12. (Currently Amended) A transmitter device for transmitting data using a layered communication model, the transmitter device being arranged to

~~being arranged to generate at a first layer a first communication fragment comprising a first address reference referring to a first entity,~~

~~further being arranged to generate at a second layer below the first layer a second communication fragment based on the first communication fragment and further comprising a second address reference referring to a second entity which is related to the first entity,~~

~~further being arranged to transmit data comprising the second communication fragment, characterized in that~~

~~the transmitter device is further arranged to remove at least partly the first address reference in the transmitted data, and~~

~~replace the first address reference by an information field referring to the second address reference.~~

13. (Currently Amended) A receiver device for receiving data using a layered communication model, the receiver device being arranged to

~~being arranged to receive data comprising a second communication fragment,~~

[[[-]]] the second communication fragment

comprising a second address reference referring to a second entity which is related to a first entity,

being based on a first communication fragment comprising a first address reference to the first entity, and

~~further being arranged to retrieve the first communication fragment from the second communication fragment, characterized in that~~

the first address reference is at least partly omitted in the received data, and

~~the receiver device is further arranged to restore the first address reference in retrieving the first communication fragment, and~~

retrieve the first address reference using an information field in the received data which replaces the first address reference and refers to the second address reference.

Claim 14 (Canceled)

15. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium embodying a transmitter computer program product comprising instructions to implement communication using a layered communication model, the transmitter computer program product instructions when executed on a processor causing performance of the following acts of:

being arranged to generate generating at a first layer a first communication fragment comprising a first address reference referring to a first entity,

further being arranged to generate generating at a second layer below the first layer a second communication fragment based on the first communication fragment and further comprising a second address reference referring to a second entity which is related to the first entity,

further being arranged to transmit transmitting data comprising the second communication fragment, characterized in that the transmitter computer program product is further arranged to omit the first address reference in the transmitted data, and replacing the first address reference by an information field referring to the second address reference.

16. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium embodying a receiver computer program product comprising instructions to implement communication using a layered communication model, the receiver computer program product instructions when executed on a processor causing performance of the following acts of:

being arranged to receive receiving data comprising a second communication fragment,

[[-]] the second communication fragment

comprising a second address reference referring to a second entity which is related to a first entity,

being based on a first communication fragment comprising a first address reference to the first entity, and

further being arranged to retrieve retrieving the first communication fragment from the second communication fragment, a first layer in which a first communication fragment comprising a first address reference referring to a first entity is generated, a second layer below the first layer in which a second communication fragment comprising a second address reference referring to a second entity related to the first entity and based on the first communication fragment is generated, characterized in that

the first address reference is at least partly omitted in the received data, and

the receiver computer program product is further arranged to restore the first address reference in retrieving the first communication fragment, wherein the instructions cause retrieval of the first address reference using an information field in the received data which replaces the first address reference and refers to the second address reference.